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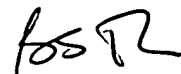
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME
 AND AUTHORIZATION TO CHARGE
DEPOSIT ACCOUNT THEREFOR

Dear Sir:

Applicant(s) petition(s) the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated August 13, 2002 for three(3) month(s) from December 13, 2003 to February 13, 2003. An Amendment responding to the aforesaid Office Action is being filed concurrently herewith.

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Respectfully submitted,



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